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- A system for controlling the appearance of a data entry form on a display to which it is connected for use in entering data into a database, the system comprising a store for storing attribute data defining attributes of a data entry form having at least one data entry field and, for the one data entry field, storing data values and corresponding attribute data defining at least one further data entry field for each of at least two data values which may be entered in the one data entry field; and a controller for causing the data entry form to be displayed on a display in accordance with the stored attribute data, and for monitoring data values entered into said one data entry field, comparing said data value with said prestored data values for that data entry field and, if a match is found, displaying the or each corresponding further data entry field according to the stored attribute data.
- 2. A system according to claim 1, wherein the controller is adapted to enable a user to define the content of the store.
- 3. A method for controlling the appearance of a data entry form on a display, the method comprising causing a data entry form to be displayed on a display in accordance with stored attributes, the data entry form having at least one data entry field; monitoring data values entered into said at least one data entry field, comparing said data values with prestored data values for that field and, if a match is found, displaying one or more corresponding further data entry fields.